GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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Kaladan Multi-Modal Transit Transport
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is developing the Kaladan Multi-Modal Transit Transport project;

(b) if so, the details of this project;

(c) whether the project development fund that was proposed to be created for this project has since been created;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) whether this project has been delayed and is long-pending and if so, the details thereof and the timeline of the project along with its current status?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
(SHRI M. J. AKBAR)

(a) Yes. Government of India (GoI) is developing the Kaladan Multi Modal Transit Transport Project in Myanmar.

(b) The project includes a waterways component of 158 km on Kaladan river from Sittwe to Paletwa in Myanmar and a road component of 109 km from Paletwa to Zorinpui on the India-Myanmar border in Mizoram State. The waterways component comprises Sittwe Port, Inland Water Transport (IWT) terminals, backup facilities and navigational channel.

(c) & (d) The project is being implemented with GoI's grant assistance under the head of 'Aid to Myanmar'.

(e) Under waterways component, Port and Inland Water Transport (IWT) terminal at Sittwe and related infrastructure/back up facilities; IWT/trans-shipment terminal and related facilities at Paletwa; navigational channel along Kaladan river from Sittwe to Paletwa and six self-propelled IWT vessels have been completed. The construction of the road component is behind schedule. The work on road construction has already been awarded on 17 March 2017 and the construction period is 36 months.
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